

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph on page 10, lines 8-16, with the following redlined paragraph:

The sixth table row involves a rule wherein content switching is based on the extensible markup language (XML) tag present in the packet. XML information may be present in the packet in a location different from the HTTP header. An embodiment of a technique to use content switching based on XML content in a packet is disclosed in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/731,979 ~~(Attorney Docket No. 350078.412)~~, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LOAD BALANCING BASED ON XML CONTENT IN A PACKET," filed concurrently herewith, with inventor Anilkumar Gunturu, assigned to the same assignee as the present application, and incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.